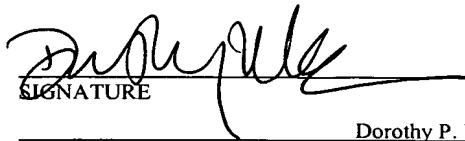


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 16219-003US1/ U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) <b>107523059</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2003/023119	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 2 August 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION PREPARATION OF LACTIC ACID DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Sergey Selifonov		
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. § 371.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. § 371.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. § 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Return Receipt Postcard</li> </ol>		

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21. The following fees are submitted:			
<input type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee .....	\$300	\$300	
<input type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee .....	\$200	\$200	
<input type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee .....	\$500	\$500	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.			
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	
29-100 =	0/50=	X \$250	
Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).			
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE
Total Claims	17 - 20 =	0	x \$50
Independent Claims	6 - 3 =	3	x \$200
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$360
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>			\$1,600.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.			\$800.00
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>			\$800.00
Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English Translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(f))			+ \$0.00
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>			\$800.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property			+ \$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>			\$800.00
			Amount to be refunded: \$
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$800.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.			
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1050 in the amount of \$0.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.			
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d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.			
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.			
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:			
PTO Customer No: 26191		NAME  Dorothy P. Whelan	
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